

REMARKS

By the present amendment, claim 9 has been amended and claims 31 and 32 have been added. Claims 1-8, 10, 15, 16, 17, and 22 were previously canceled.

Claims 9, 11-14, 18-21, and 23-32 are currently pending in the application. Reconsideration and allowance of all the claims is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Further to the telephone interview of August 11, 2009 with the Examiner, the Applicant has amended claim 9 in accordance with the points discussed with the Examiner during the interview. A summary of the interview will not be filed, as the Examiner indicated that he will prepare the summary of the interview himself.

Miscellaneous Amendment

New claims 31 and 32 have been added to the application. These claims are supported at least by paragraph 0023 of the application as published by the USPTO.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, the Applicant respectfully submits that the currently pending claims 9, 11-14, 18-21, and 23-32 are allowable and that the Application is now in condition for allowance.

At the time of filing of the present response, the Office was authorized to charge the fees believed to be necessary to a credit card. In case of any under- or over-payment or should any additional fee be otherwise necessary, the Office is hereby authorized to credit or debit (as the case may be) Deposit Account number 502977.

Respectfully submitted,

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